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Merry Christmas
Everybody

Local Items

A grand dance under the auspices of the Chinook Curling Club will be held in the School on New Year's Eve, December 31. Everybody invited.

Chinook Curling Club failed in its challenge for the Macdonald trophy last Thursday when two wins played at Craigmyle.

Miss Jacobson, who has been attending business college in Saskatoon, is spending Christmas with her parents at Heathdale.

Miss H. Stickley, teacher at Big Spring School, left on Saturday for Lethbridge.

Miss E. S. Robert left on Saturday for Macleod.

Mrs. W. Lee and family are spending the Christmas holidays at Kindersley.

During the storm last week seven horses belonging to Klaas Hohenshied wandered onto the railroad track and penned in by snowdrifts on each side were unable to escape from the oncoming train and were killed.

Mr. A. O. McNeill, who is visiting friends in Chinook, will conduct the service in the Union Church next Sunday evening at 7:30.

Miss Louise Richardson, who is attending Normal School at Calgary, is spending Christmas with her parents here.

Miss D. Rawlinson, of Innisfail, has accepted a position as teacher in the Chinook Consolidated School.

Miss M. Sutor left on Saturday for Stettler where she will spend Christmas holidays with her parents.

The annual meeting of the Chinook U. F. A. Local will be held in the School on Saturday afternoon, January 3, at 2 o'clock. All farmers are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Robinson and son Earl, left last week for Trail, B.C. where they will spend the winter.

Mr. R. Jones left on Sunday for Calgary. During Mr. Jones sojourn in Chinook he has taken a keen interest in the social life of the town. He is an able singer and showed considerable ability as a pianist, and his presence will be greatly missed.

Leonard Cooley left on Tuesday for Calgary en route for Carstairs where he will spend Christmas.

Mrs. A. C. George left on Monday for Cereal where she will visit friends before going to Graham Hill, Sask.

Chinook School Christmas Concert

The announcement by the staff a few weeks ago that time would not allow for the preparation of a school concert apparently acted as a spur. For there was a concert last Friday evening, and a good one too. The adult numbers were excellent, the senior school items better, and the little tots best. We believe this grading to be generally approved and it speaks only worthily for the artists one and all. Great credit is due to the chief promoters, the school Literary Society, for the choice of material; to all the pupils for unstinted efforts; and to the adults for their kind co-operation.

Excellent order enabled everyone in the audience to hear clearly and despatch of the program numbers kept the audience continually interested. —Not the least acceptable number was Santa Claus part. When the tree was stripped every boy and girl enrolled in December had a Christmas gift.

General regret at losing Miss Robert from the staff was expressed in a short appropriate address, and the kindly wishes of a happy gathering accompanied the school's gift, a dainty tea set of Madeira linen.

The orchestra dance of some three hours concluded the merry cheer of a splendid entertainment.

CHINOOK SCHOOL BOARD MEET

The Board of Trustees of the Chinook Consolidated School District met last Friday afternoon. All members were present.

That out of the large number of applications for the position of teacher for grades 3, 4 and 5, the following choices were made; 1st choice, Irene Bunyan; 2nd choice, Miss Dorothy Rawlinson; 3rd choice, Miss L. Fulton; and 4th choice, Miss Flora Carson.

A number of accounts were past for payment.

H. E. Bradford was appointed auditor of the school books for this year.

That the Annual Meeting of the Chinook School District be held in the school on Saturday, January 10, at 1:30 p.m.

Owing to changes in the length of van routes the following changes be made in amounts paid to van drivers: Route 4, increased to \$6.00 after April 28, 1924. Route 3, increased to \$6.00 after September, 1924. Route 2, reduced to \$5.00 after November 30, 1924.

Season's Greetings From W. A. Hurley Ltd.

To Our Patron Friends:

Christmas is here again! And with it comes the desire to send our Friendly Greetings and to wish you a 1925 brimful of Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

If the only thing we received from our Customers was their cash, there would be little satisfaction of doing business. The thing that is really worth while and which we prize most of all, is the good will and friendship of the people we do business with.

The business you gave us during the past year was appreciated, and we do hope you were as pleased with our "Service" as we were with your Patronage.

Being human folks, there is always the possibility of error, so if anything happened at any time which displeased you in any way, kindly be good enough to tell us all about it, so that we may rectify matters to your entire satisfaction.

Again a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and yours

W. A. Hurley Ltd.

Chinook Alberta

1924

We wish you the Greetings of the Season and thank you for your Business during the year just past.

We trust the New Year will bring you much Prosperity.

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New Wheat Pool Manager

Immigration to Alberta

According to figures from the department of Immigration at Ottawa, there has been a total immigration into Alberta, during the eight months of 1924, from April to November, of 9,262 of which 6,453 were from overseas and 2,809 from the United States

The Growing Importance Of The Fishing Industry In The Prairie Provinces

Exceptional activity in the commercial fisheries of the great lakes of the three prairie provinces is expected this winter with high figures of production. The harvest of summer fishing on these waters has been the lowest for years, with the result that whilst whitefish and others of the product of these lakes have been moving steadily in special refrigerator cars from the prairies to New York, Chicago, Buffalo and other United States points, as well as Eastern Canadian centres, dealers are carrying over for winter consumption practically no summer frozen fish.

A good deal of attention is being paid to the improvement of the prairie provinces inland fisheries both as to the commercial production and marketing, and the ensurance of supply. A company operating on Lesser Slave Lake in Alberta has built a freezing plant in connection with its operations which is one of the best of its kind in Western Canada. There have likewise been improvements on Buffalo Lake, where two companies will be operating this winter.

Saskatchewan, which accounts for only about one-half of the annual fish production of Alberta, and one-fifth of that of Manitoba, is paying exceptional attention to the building up of her inland fisheries. Parent fish and fry were distributed among fifty-four lakes in the spring of 1924 from the provincial hatcheries, this being the widest distribution ever effected. Fish were taken to widely separated points and, according to all reports, the transition was successfully accomplished and the fish are thriving. Among the fish distributed were over 26,000,000 whitefish; 17,000,000 perch; over 7,000,000 chinook salmon, and over 3,000,000 pikeperch. Between 700 and 800 tons of crappies were released in the Fort Qu'Appelle lakes. Preparations have been made for a further collection of between 30,000,000 and 35,000,000 fish eggs to keep Saskatchewan supplied with fish.

Astonishment is often expressed that fish taken in waters of the far north, remote oftentimes from the fringes of civilization, can, even in the efficient means of transportation available in special refrigerator cars, be economically marketed at interior parts of the United States, such as Chicago and Milwaukee, not to speak of distant points such as New York. As a matter of fact, in the great mid-west of the United States, with its large cities and the populous territories surrounding these centers, there exists a tremendous market, capable of yet greater expansion, for the fish products of the lakes of the prairie provinces.

Wheat Exports Decline

Marked Dropping Off in Exports During Past Four Months

A marked decline in the exportation of Canadian wheat during the past four months as compared with the same period last year is shown in a bulletin issued by the Dominion bureau of statistics. During the four months ended November, 1924, 59,522,363 bushels of Canadian wheat were exported, while during the same period in 1923, 109,986,042 bushels left Canada.

For the month of November the exportation fell from \$4,196,963 bushels in 1923 to 26,932,261 bushels in November of this year. The exportation of wheat flour showed some improvement this year compared with last. During the four months ended November slightly more than 23,000,000 barrels were exported as compared with 19,260,811 barrels last year.

Barley, oats and rye all showed some increase in the volume exported during the past four months as compared with the same period in 1923.

Government Marine Service

A new Canadian Government Merchant Marine service will give direct connection with the ports on the continent of Europe by way of Los Angeles and London. The new schedule from Vancouver will be inaugurated by the Canadian Importer, leaving with a large cargo of lumber, canned salmon, grain and general commodities. The SS. Canadian Pioneer will sail from Antwerp for Vancouver, thus inaugurating the service from that end.

Effects Of Travel

Fish from the Atlantic coast is sold in Ottawa for five times the sum received by the fishermen, which may be an instance of the broadening effect of travel. -Montreal Gazette.

No Attraction For Him

Nurse: Wouldn't you like to go to heaven. Bobbie, and wear a nice gold crown.

Bobbie: Not if the dentist is going to put it on.

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U.S. Transportation Problems

American Flag Disappearing From the Great Lakes

Solution of the United States transportation problem lies in the development of aircraft, the national rivers and harbors, congress was told by Rear-Admiral W. A. Moffett, chief of the naval bureau of aeronautics, and Brig.-Gen. Van E. Mitchell, administrator chief of the army air service. Admiral Moffett declared the most promising venture for future aircraft transportation would be the establishment of a trans-Atlantic mail service by dirigibles.

Edwin H. Duff, representing the International Water Lines Association, told congress that unless relief is given to ship operators of the great lakes from the *U. S. Folkert* Senate Act, the United States flag will disappear from lake commerce. United States operators, he asserted, are transferring their ships to Canadian register in order to stay in the business.

May Ship Grain West

Grain Shipment From Manitoba To Pacific Feasible In Winter

The shipment of wheat from Manitoba to the port of Vancouver during the winter months was declared to be feasible by Col. G. H. Kirkpatrick, chairman of the Vancouver Harbor Board, during an interview at Winnipeg.

Wheat from Saskatchewan had been shipped to the coast after lake navigation had closed, and Col. Kirkpatrick saw no reason why Manitoba should not be so treated, provided it was of high grade and the market was suitable.

"At present we have no market for other than high quality grain," but a market for lower grades will follow in due course," Col. Kirkpatrick said, adding that the elevator storage capacity at Vancouver would amount to six million bushels soon.

Alberta Conditions Good

Province In Better Shape Than In Any Year Since The War

There is taken out of the Alberta crop acreage in districts that never ought to have been cultivated, the remaining average for the year 1924 is not too bad. The net result is that, to quote the words of a prominent Calgary banker, "Alberta is today in much better shape than in any year since the war."

Various factors have, of course, contributed to this state of affairs, last year's crop for one, this year's rainfall, and, the enormous increase in dairying for a third, the total of butter manufactured this year running to nearly 20 million pounds, of which four million will be shipped out of Canada.

Motor Fuel From Coal Tar

Develops Greater Power and Costs Less than Gasoline

Exhaustive tests by the artillery laboratories at Vimy-en-Cambrésis are said to have fully justified the claims made for a new motor fuel extracted from benzolized coal tar.

When used in heavy trucks and tractors, according to Le Matin, it developed much greater power than gasoline and gave slightly higher mileage to the gallon. Its cost is said to be but one-tenth of gasoline.

Profit In Eggs

It is announced that the United Farmers of Ontario Co-operative Company have secured for their members an additional profit of approximately ten cents per dozen for their eggs. About 250,000 dozen eggs were handled and after all expenses had been met there will be between \$20,000 and \$30,000 to be handed back to the producer.

Alberta Poultry For New York

Experiments are being conducted in the shipment of live poultry from Alberta to the New York market. A certain containing 3,450 birds recently left Viking for New York. If the experiment proves financially successful it will further hasten the rapid development which is taking place in poultry raising in Alberta.

Turkey Hawk Pipe Craze

The pipe craze has swept Turkey. The sale of pipes in Canada last year has increased 300 per cent. in the last four years, according to recent estimates. The pipe has become the most popular form of smoking almost overnight. There seems to be no explanation of the fact.

Within eight years, 2,500 miles of railroad tracks in the United States have been abandoned.

The Needs Of Canada

Pride of Country Essential States Sir Campbell Stuart

"We need population in Canada, we need money, we need inter-Canadian trade, but, above all, we need all the people, east and west, thinking and working together for Canada, weaving the one great story of the history of Canada into the lives of all the citizens so that all may get that pride of country without which no country can ever be really great."

In these words did Sir Campbell Stuart, Canadian born and managing director of the London Times, speak at Edmonton, sum up the needs of Canada in a most thoughtful and inspiring address.

From a delightfully humorous description of how he, a young Canadian, invited distinguished guests from the old nobility of France and England to a banquet in the Palace of Versailles when he had not the least idea in the world who he was to secure the palace, Sir Campbell passed to the real text of his address on Canadian character, and he was equally interesting in both phases of his address.

World Trade Shifting

Western Ports the Gateway For Trade to the Orient

In greatly increasing volume, world trade is shifting from the Atlantic to the Pacific, Mr. Justice M. A. MacDonald, of the British Columbia Court of Appeal, told members of the Moose Jaw Canadian Club at a luncheon.

The western ports of Canada, he said, were the gateway for trade to the Orient. The immense populations of China, Japan and other Asiatic countries were developing rapidly. The effect on trade volume was inevitable and, in his opinion, the near future would see expansion in shipping and manufacturing that would far exceed any period in the world's history.

Three-fifths of the world's total population dwelt in countries which bordered upon the Pacific, Judge MacDonald said. The very fact of Vancouver's growing importance as an outlet of grain from the prairies was an indication of the approaching developments, even revolution of trade from the old channels.

Plans Agricultural Temple

Illinois Ex-Governor Has Idea For Structure in Chicago

A world's temple to agriculture, the largest building in the world, including a radio broadcasting tower rivaling the Eiffel Tower in Paris, a convention hall of 20,000 seats and a commercial hall of 3,500 rooms, is planned by a mid-west group headed by Frank O. Lowden, former governor of Illinois. The structure to be erected here would be known as the "American Agricultural Society Building." According to announced plans the temple would be the national centre of farm activities in the United States, such as was urged in recent resolutions adopted by delegates to the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention. Associated with Lowden and Wm. Wright, Jr., are Robert M. Stewart, Lawrence Whiting and others.

Rural Education

Miss Agnes MacPhail Has Some Criticism to Offer in Ontario

Rural education, as constituted in Ontario, lacks the three-fold development—head, heart and hand, according to Miss Agnes MacPhail, M.P., who presented a report on "Rural Educational Research" at the closing session of the convention of the United Farm Women of Ontario at Toronto.

Comparing the system with systems of other countries, Miss MacPhail said there was a tendency in Ontario to force upon children, for examination purposes, un assimilated facts, with the result that it left in the mind a barren area at the end of the public school system. In substance, the rural education system was out of proportion with the needs of rural life and the direct spirit of the land.

Good Butter Trade With Japan

Figures just issued by the Japanese consul at Vancouver show that Canada is rapidly developing a good butter trade with Japan. In 1922, Canada shipped out 7,681 pounds of butter to that country, while this year, up to a week or two ago, Japanese buyers had bought 2,230,010 pounds, most of which was supplied by Western Canadian creameries.

Makes His Own Calendar

Richard Rogg refuses to accept his Roman calendar. He has devised his own. The days on his calendar are only 10 hours long, his weeks 10 days long, and his months 10 weeks long. He says he does not observe the Sabbath.

It took two men to carry 14,000 bushels nearly 9 feet long presented by a local baker to King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill, S.E. as a harvest festival offering.

Western Flax Straw

Will Send Flax Straw to Scotland For Experimental Purposes

The Canadian trade commissioner at Glasgow reports that he has made arrangements with the Saskatchewan Government for the dispatch of a quantity of straw to Scotland to be experimented upon by a new process for producing flax yarn. The method consists of separating the fibers from the straw without the usual retting and by mechanical means.

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Bovine Tuberculosis

Canada's Winter Sports Are

Becoming Better Known To The People Of Other Climes

Bovine Tuberculosis

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George H. Hutson

superintendent of the C.P.R. demonstrates farm

Strathcona, and president of the Western Canada Livestock Union. In a short address on the question from the standpoint of a private breeder, declared that exhaustive investigations carried out by himself and other breeders showed that in many instances, bulls that had been found to react to tuberculin tests, had been bred successfully, and that more of their progeny were found to react to tuberculin tests, than was not sufficient reason why they should be slaughtered.

Grading Agricultural Products

Uniformity and Standardization An Important Economic Factor

In calling attention in a recent interview to the marketing of livestock and the benefits of sorting and grading groups of uniform type, weight and quality, I had no intention of calling particular attention to any one organization in so much as sorting and grading is a practice recognized and carried out by practically all livestock handlers at our stockyards.

This statement was made by J. M. McCullum, Ottawa, chief of the stockyard services in an interview in Winnipeg.

Mr. McCullum again stressed the value of uniformity and standardization in grades of agricultural products as an important economic factor in production and marketing, and drew attention to the success attained by British Columbia apples, Saskatchewan butter, Danish bacon and New Zealand cheese which were treated in this manner.

King Endeavors To Avoid Unemployment

Wants to Give Winter Work to Men On His Estates

The King has been devoting a good deal of consideration lately to the question how agricultural unemployment during the coming winter may be avoided by other means than a general reduction in wages.

There would be no difficulty, Mr. Dyk asserted, in getting 16,000 men to emigrate to Canada. This class, he said, mostly belonged to the higher type and would prove a great asset to the Dominion.

It is sometimes said that the King is able to undertake work on his estates of a nature that could not be afforded by a private landowner, because he is not taxed as others are taxed.

This is, however, an error. Apart from Windsor, which is the official property of the crown, and therefore exempt from taxation, the King pays precisely the same rates and taxes as any other landowner.

Helps B.C. Industry

Canned Whale Is Great Delicacy In West Africa

Canned cuts of whale meat are considered a great delicacy in West Africa, according to the London Board of Trade Journal. Practically the whole of the whale meat canned in British Columbia last year was sold among the settlements between Liberia and the Congo.

West Africa has thus solved the problem of finding a market for whale meat after the oil has been extracted, for whale meat has become a really popular viand in that part of the world.

"Wealth of a Nation"

A nation calling itself independent within the Empire, with exports of a billion and a quarter on the high seas, might do well to think of the problem of those long sea lanes, said Major-General F. L. Lessard, speaking of the Navy League at a gathering of business men at Montreal.

Movements recently unearthing at Thebes and in the upper valley of the Nile contain representations of harps and flutes.

Joseph Aspin, an English stone mason, invented Portland cement 100 years ago.

According to reports from all sections of the Dominion, Canada played the host during the summer of 1923 to an overwhelmingly greater number of holiday visitors than she had ever had the opportunity of welcoming in previous years. Each spring makes it increasingly clear that Canada is becoming definitely established in the minds of people of other countries, more particularly the United States, as the location for their annual vacation, and that in the future the Dominion can look for an ever-swelling invasion throughout the summer to her countless beauty spots and regions of wild romance.

The greater bulk of these visitors, however, have returned to their homes long before the advent of the Indian summer with its balmy days, and few are there when the first touch of frost tinges the grand Canadian woods with a myriad tints. Some there are, and they are a growing number, who postpone their vacation until the fall and come to Canada when she offers the most superb hunting on the continent. Still fewer are those who have learned the joys of the Canadian winter season, but there comes to be a gratifying increase year in year in those who come to participate in Canadian winter sports.

The people of the American continent, who have been wont to regard the winter sports of Europe with a certain amount of envy, are just coming to realize that north of the terminally accessible, is a series of Norwegian and Swiss roads stretching from coast to coast, offering the most magnificent order of winter revelry and the greatest variety of sport. Those who once have indulged in Canadian winter revelry without a care that other people were ignorant of her pleasures. Of late years, however, there has been a pronounced movement to make the Canadian winter known as it really is and further to bring people from all lands to share in the joys of the season. In effecting this end winter sports have become to some extent centralized, and in many parts of the country, carnivals, concentrating the joy of the season into brief time, feature the season.

The Wheat Shortage

A Strong Demand For Wheat May Be Expected in 1925

A comparison with the estimated carry-over on August 1, 1925, shows that, even if an increased acreage is sown to wheat in 1925 under the stimulus of higher prices the world's stock of wheat will have been cleared out before the harvest of next year can be drawn upon. In the autumn of 1925 there will be everywhere a demand for wheat that will probably assure a profitable level of price for growers.

It is a situation which is of special interest to Canada as one of the greatest wheat exporting countries. The combination of such a prospect and of present prices is already being felt. It is given a perceptible impulse to general business.—Toronto Globe.

The Wealth of a Nation

For a long time it has been the fashion to refer to farming as the basic industry of the country, and, yet, when emergencies have arisen, to treat it as the Cinderella of the industrial family. The main reason for this attitude of neglect has been the inability or disinclination of politicians to recognize the fulsome connection between the nation's security and the nation's supply of home-grown food, and the growth of unemployment.—London Times.

Britain An Inspiration

Addressing the Canadian Club at Ottawa, Otto H. Kahn, American banker and philanthropist, said that since the war, England has shown nothing less than economic heroism. She has been an inspiration to the other nations of Europe, he said, and is about to reap her reward.

Food For Thought

An angry man called at a newspaper editor and furiously demanded to see the editor. He was told that the editor was out. "Where is he?" shouted the caller. "Out, sir," said the office boy, taking flowers to a man who called yesterday.

The man who is too busy to take care of his health is a workman too busy to take care of his tools.

PARLIAMENT AT OTTAWA TO OPEN ON FEBRUARY 5

Ottawa.—Parliament will open on Thursday, February 5, Premier King announced at a Cabinet meeting. The date of opening is almost a month earlier than last year, when Parliament was summoned on the last day of February. The coming session will be the fourth of the present Government, and of the fourteenth Parliament, since Confederation.

The session will probably last into the summer months, and with a subsequent general election in the balance. Since last session, the standing of the parties has changed but little.

The coming session promises to be historic. Premier King on a number of occasions has announced the intention of the Government to bring down a constitutional amendment to limit the veto powers of the Senate, just as the Parliament Act of Great Britain limited the veto powers of the Lords. But such a constitutional amendment will only be brought about—such is the general expectation—after a long and bitter fight. In both Houses, opponents are expected to fight it on the ground that there should be amendment of the Confederation agreement embodied in the British North America Act without prior consent of the federating provinces.

Saskatchewan Mine Purchased

Arsenal Iron Mine Acquired By American Financiers

The Pas, Man.—A half-million-dollar deal to purchase an arsenical iron mine, known as the Little Nell group of seven claims at Beaver Lake, Sask., has just been effected between the owners, A. J. and J. W. Collette, of The Pas, Man., and several wealthy American financiers of Des Moines, Iowa. The terms agreed upon are that \$100,000 be paid to Collette Bros. within a period of two years and that during this time the balance of \$400,000 in machinery and improvement work be invested in the mine.

Arsenic, which is now being purchased in huge quantities as an extimator of the "hull swell," so ruinous to the cotton fields of the Southern States, is in great demand, and it is believed that many great arsenical iron ore bodies in the northern parts of Canada are already under option to large American concerns who will soon develop them into producing mines.

Insurrection Growing

Three Former Albanian Premiers Sentenced to Death

Deligrado.—The insurrection in Albania is making rapid progress, according to the latest press dispatches which say that the Catholic Mirdite and Mallrose tribes have joined the movement and that the Tiran Government has proclaimed martial law at Podgajets. The rebel front is said to extend from Malessa as far as Dibra.

Three former Albanian premiers, and a former minister were sentenced to death by default by a political tribunal.

Honors Woodrow Wilson

U.S. Congress Hears Address On Late President's Achievements

Washington.—The United States Congress paused in its activities to honor the memory of former President Woodrow Wilson. Members of the Senate and the House gathered with President Coolidge and his Cabinet and invited guests in the chamber of the House and heard Dr. Edwin Alderman, President of the University of Virginia, President Wilson's alma mater, deliver an address outlining the life and achievements of the war-time president.

Flour For Soviets

120,000 Barrels Of Canadian Flour Shipped to Russia

New York.—Two full cargoes of Canadian flour, aggregating 120,000 barrels, were sold here for immediate shipment to Russia.

Shippers believe that this demand is a definite evidence of shortage in bread grains in that important producing country.

College Residence Burned

Saskatoon.—Fire caused by an overheated furnace pipe gutted a six-story residence at Emmanuel Anglican College at the University of Saskatchewan. About \$500 damage was done, which was covered fully by insurance. Nine students occupying the building suffered loss of books and personal effects.

Discuss Problems Dealing With Loans

Winnipeg.—For discussion of mutual problems to cultivate a better understanding between the borrower and the lender, and, if possible, to devise means whereby improved conditions may be brought about, representatives of the farm-mortgage companies and provincial governments of the three prairie provinces were in conference here. The meeting was under the auspices of the Canadian Council of Agriculture and the Mortgage Loans Association.

Cold Weather Stories

When It Was So Cold That the Mercury Froze

Lethbridge, Alberta.—Recalling cold records of the past, J. H. Highbotham, old-timer and inconstant extraordinary, says that in December, 1884, it was 56 degrees below zero and froze a bottle of mercury into a lump.

"In that terrible winter it froze cast oil, red ink and seven-year-old whisky." Mr. Highbotham does not attempt to explain how it happened that the whisky was allowed to freeze.

In 1893, the old Turkey Trail train left Lethbridge for Medicine Hat on February 1, arriving at its destination March 17. Mr. Highbotham's diary states: "Mr. Highbotham's diary shows,

MAY LOWER RATE ON LIVESTOCK TO GREAT BRITAIN

Winnipeg.—"I am very hopeful that freight rates on cattle from Canada to Great Britain will be reduced before long, so that exporters will be enabled to send over the light type of steer that is so greatly in favor on the other side," stated Dr. J. H. Grisdale, deputy minister of agriculture, in an interview here.

Dr. Grisdale said negotiations looking toward a reduced rate had been carried on in the Old Country for some time, and declared that if the rate could be cut to \$15 per head it would mean a great deal to the cattle trade, and soon result in the establishment of a market for steers ranging from \$60 to 1,000 pounds.

Discussing a possible shortage of seed oats, Dr. Grisdale said:

"My department does not at present favor government action in the matter, but many people seem to think there will be a shortage, and during the last two or three days I have received wires to this effect from Saskatchewan."

During his trip to Calgary, where he attended the sessions of the Western Canadian Livestock Union, the deputy minister found the farmers feeling much more hopeful in regard to future conditions in Western Canada. "This is most gratifying, and augurs well for the future, especially when one considers that a short time ago the farmers had almost been knocked off their feet," said Dr. Grisdale.

Celebrate Coming Of Age Of Airplane

First Flight Made By Wright Brothers Dec. 17, 1903

London.—The coming of age of the airplane, Dec. 17, the 21st anniversary of Orville Wright's first flight in a power driven, heavier than air, machine, at Kittyhawk, N.C., was made a conspicuous feature in the London newspapers which gave much space to this first accomplishment together with pictures of the Wright brothers and their machine.

The Daily Mail pointed out the invention modestly screens his own achievement behind the remarkable subsequent performances of the airplane, of which he says, he and his brother never dreamed in 1903.

Spillers Exporting Grain

Vancouver.—Shippers have commenced export of Western Canadian grain from their big elevator here. 30,000 bushels having been loaded on the steamship *Tonquin*, March. The plant has at present a loading capacity of 15,000 bushels an hour.

Establish Office In Holland

Montreal.—W. Van Hoevenker, who has had wide experience with farms in Western Canada, has been appointed Canadian Pacific Railway agent at Rotterdam, Holland. He will point out to prospective emigrants the advantages of farming in Canada.

Flour Price Advances

Vancouver.—Family patent flour has advanced 30 cents a barrel here to \$10.05. Higher prices of wheat is the cause, it is stated.

A Public Benefactor



Healthier Class Of Immigrants Now Coming

Ottawa.—The regulations requiring the medical examination of European immigrants have proven most satisfactory and today there is a high standard of health among new arrivals in Canadian ports. Dr. J. A. Amyot, deputy minister of health, told the Dominion council of health here at the final meeting of a three-day conference. The \$200 fine on steamship companies for bringing diseased persons to Canada has been very effective, he said.

Raises Tuition

University Of Toronto Decides To Increase Rates

Toronto.—It was announced here by Sir Robert Falconer president of the University of Toronto, that the board of governors of the university has decided to increase the annual tuition fee for students in university college from \$40 to \$75, the increase to go into effect in September, 1925. The university fee for examination remuneration at \$10, so that the combination fee will be \$85 instead of \$50 as at present.

Millerand Opens Campaign

Former French President In Open Warfare Against Herriot Government

Paris.—Former President Millerand has opened his campaign against the Herriot Government in earnest.

At a banquet of 1,200 covers attended by members of the National Republican League, the former president and premier delivered a lengthy fighting speech which was cheered to the echo, in which he outlined his plans and invited all Republicans to join him in forming a centre bloc with the object of controlling the French Parliament.

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Endorses Merit System

Most Successful and Efficient One For Public Service Says Coolidge

Washington.—A statement by President Coolidge endorsing the merit system "as by far the most successful and efficient one" for the public as well as private business was read before the forty-fourth annual convention of the National Civil Service Reform League.

"Probably no system will ever be so far perfected as to assure satisfactory results in the selection of the personnel either for public or private business," said the president's statement, "but I am sure that the merit system, which necessarily is the real basis for the personnel policy of most private employers, is by far the most successful and efficient one for the public service as well."

IS FEARFUL OF JAP AGGRESSION ON THE PACIFIC

Washington.—Representative Britten of Illinois, ranking Republican on the house naval committee, announced that he proposed to introduce a resolution to empower the president to call a conference of white nations bordering the Pacific to discuss means of promoting better economic, commercial and political understanding among them.

"The attitude of Japan before the League of Nations, and in Japan itself, in opposition to certain cherished principles of America," said Mr. Britten, "is justification for the introduction of my resolution."

"Japan's open preparation for war is a reason why the white peoples surrounding the Pacific Ocean should have a definite defensive policy for their mutual protection, and the quicker this is done, the better."

The Illinois member added that Australia already had indicated a desire to participate in such a movement, and he suggested either Australia, Canada, or Honolulu as suitable places for the proposed conference, "so as to take it away from the political machinations of Washington."

Cartwheel To Re-appear

New York.—Shining silver dollars, the old-time "cartwheel," will reappear in general circulation here this Christmas after several years' absence. The silver dollar has been in eclipse for a decade, in fact, ever since thrifty Hindus began burying wartime silver in India.

Egyptian Trouble

Cairo.—The Egyptian Government of Ziwari Pasha has refused to convocate the national parliament, it was announced, despite the petitions for such convocation sent to King Fuad and the premier from parliamentarians and other quarters.

Saskatchewan Liquor Bill

Amendments Dealing With Number Of Places For Sale of Liquor

Regina.—Several amendments to the Liquor Bill dealing with the number of places for sale of hard liquor and quantities of liquor that may be purchased by the individual were approved by the legislature in committee. They provide for the following changes:

Power to the board to increase the number of places from which hard liquor and wine may be sold to a maximum of 25 in the province.

Reduction of the daily quantities that may be sold to the individual from four to two gallons of beer and from two to one gallon of wine.

Power to the board to increase a single sale to an individual to ten gallons of wine and two gallons of hard liquor with 14-day intervals between sales to the same individual.

Power to the board to adopt a permit system for sale to individuals if right contained in clause 3 is abused.

Alberta Wheat Is Going to Orient

Great Growth In Exports in Last Three Years

Edmonton.—The growth in the Alberta farm exports to the Orient during the last three years has been phenomenal, especially in the grain trade in which section an increase of over 9,000,000 bushels is recorded over the exports of 1922. In 1923 the exports of grain increased over 2,400,000 bushels over the preceding year, while the increase in 1924 over 1923 will be well over 8,000,000. The increase at the end of October was 6,750,000 bushels, and exports during November and December were extremely heavy.

Forecasts Next Move In British Politics

Arthur Baxter Expects Lloyd George To Support Protection

Toronto.—Support of the cause of prohibition by Lloyd George and the Liberal party may be the next move on the checkboard of British politics, in the opinion of Arthur Beverley Baxter, managing editor of the London Daily Express.

Further, Mr. Baxter is convinced that Lloyd George has already taken the matter under consideration and ventures that prohibition will, at any rate, figure largely in the next appeal to the people made by British Liberalism.

Manitobans Will Lose Heavily

Many Were Shareholders In Bankrupt Music Publishing Co.

Winnipeg.—Shareholders in the Heurtley Publishing Company of Winnipeg, music publishers, will not get 10 cents on the dollar in the opinion of F. A. William, a lawyer of Killarney, Man., representing the estate of a man who invested \$30,000 in the concern. Joseph Xavier Hearst, president of the company, is missing from his office and is being sought, while in the meantime a receiver has been appointed.

Registered Seed Grain

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Victoria, B.C.—The legislature has passed a vote for \$20,000 for immigration purposes, the money being required principally to cover the cost of bringing 50 Hebridean fishermen to the west coast of Vancouver Island.

RESTORATION OF THE CROW'S NEST RATES EXPECTED

Ottawa.—Apart from its decision to summon Parliament for February 5, the Cabinet, at a lengthy sitting, discussed the Crow's Nest rate case.

While no decision was announced, the indications point to the Crow's Nest rate schedule being restored, as was requested by the prairie provinces in their recent appeal to the Cabinet.

Opinion on the subject is divided, but the majority are said to favor overriding the railway commission and restoring the Crow's Nest rates, on the ground that Parliament did not intend that they should be interfered with by the board.

Before any action is announced, it will be necessary to draft an order-in-council assigning all the reasons, and have it concurred in by the Governor-General. Meanwhile, unless the situation changes, chances favor restoration as an initial step towards the preparation by Parliament.

In the coming session, of a uniform rate structure in all the provinces, an official declaration is expected Saturday.

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Mixed Farming Only Sure Method

Dairying a Most Necessary Adjunct for Success on the Farm

A committee which has been working under the chairmanship of Mr. W. Waldron has reported to the Saskatchewan Economic Board on conditions in the dairy industry.

A questionnaire was sent out to forty representative farmers in selected portions of Saskatchewan, who in a number of dairy cows in their farming operations. The average number which cows kept on these farms was found to be twelve and the choice of breeds to be about equally divided between Shorthorn and Holsteins. These farms may be taken as typical mixed farms, that is to say, the income is derived from grain growing, dairying, cattle, sheep, hogs and poultry. The returns to hand indicate that approximately 30 per cent. of the income on these farms is derived from selling cream, while only two returns show any portion of the income derived from selling home-made butter. Ten per cent. is made by selling pork, and the income percentage from poultry varies from one to ten per cent.; 26.5 of the income derived from growing wheat. Asked whether they considered dairying an important feature in their schemes of farming, the reply in every instance was in the affirmative, while some said that they would not attempt to farm at all without cows. The questionnaire also elicited the statement that dairying was dependable and profitable with good cows.

Sustained Mental Effort

The Practical Value Of Some Impractical Studies

Few people realize the extraordinary value—the practical value, I will say—of studies absolutely impractical in character. What a person needs most in life—is business, in art, in politics, in anything—is the capacity for sustained effort and concentrated attention. In the intellectual field there is no other asset like this. And you can get it best by devoting your studies to something making a demand on the utmost mental power that you have. That is why in any well-ordered university we lay the basis of all our work on such things as the study of Latin language, the elements of mathematics, physics and chemistry. These are real things. Through them is the gateway to mental advancement. To ask if you need them in your business is childish. Of course you do. You need them in your head. It is you that is being fashioned and shaped, not the business.—Stephen Leacock.

The Dome Of St. Paul's

Famous Cathedral Was First Designed With a Spire

It will surprise a great many people to learn that St. Paul's Cathedral, London, nearly had a spire instead of a dome.

The original model, made by Sir Christopher Wren, which is to be seen at the South Kensington Museum, differs in several essentials from the completed cathedral. The authorities did not approve, and asked Wren to design another, in which a spire instead of a dome was to be the principal feature.

Higly pleased, Wren set to work, made another model—and altered the design of the cathedral to suit his own tastes as the work progressed.

The dome gradually assumed its present vast proportions, while the proposed spire was displaced by the stone lantern, the ball, and the cross which now surmount the cathedral.

Taking Precautions

Many Eccentric People Buy Coffins and Keep Them for Years

The precautions of the widow who for twenty years took her coffin with her on her ocean journeys, for fear of being buried apart from her husband, not so unusual as one would imagine. Sarah Bernhardt was for years accompanied by her coffin on foreign tours.

There is a Repository attached to one of the largest shops in London which houses more than a score of coffins—handsome productions in ebony and wrought iron and all kinds of rare timber. They are being in wait for their occupant, mostly eccentric women.

U.S. Agricultural Appropriation

The U.S. agricultural appropriation bill, providing for expenditures of \$121,000,000 has been passed by the house of representatives and was sent to the Senate. The amount is \$55,000,000 greater than last year's appropriation.

A tiny flag called the "patalo," found on the coast of New Zealand, can only be caught at dawn on one particular day in the year, when it rises to the surface of the sea for two hours.

Plain Foods Are Better For Teeth

Too Much Sugar Blamed For Poor Showing at Dental Clinic

Candy and other sweets are blamed for the poor dental showing made by 16,000 adults and children in New York who attended the mouth hygiene exhibit of the Allied Dental Council, according to the forty dentists in charge of the clinic. The general exhibit committee of which Dr. A. Kuntz is chairman, said that the city as a whole is guilty of "gross negligence" in the care of the teeth.

The percentage of good oral conditions among school children was found to be higher in the poorer neighborhoods, where plain foods are consumed. The average was found to be higher in the Bronx. It was found to be lower in those sections of the city which contain high percentages of sugar and little of lime, which is essential to good teeth, it was said.

Discover Seal Of

Dick Whittington

Used By Famous Lord Mayor Before He Was Knighted

A legal document bearing what is believed to be the seal of Dick Whittington, the famous Lord Mayor of London, has been discovered among a bundle of old deeds by H. R. Moulton, a London expert in parchments. In the centre of the seal is a bust of a young man, encircling which is the name "Ricard Whittington," and the date 1402. An expert of the Public Records Office said that he was confident the seal was genuine, and so far as he knew, unique. It must have been used by Whittington before he was knighted and received armorial bearings. He was made Lord Mayor first in 1397.

A Fish Tale

Canadian Had a Quick Comeback for the Australasian

The high commissioner for Australia, Sir Joseph Cook, tells a good story of the Wembley exhibition which has not gone the rounds, I believe, says "Gadabout," in the Daily Chronicle.

A party of Australians were being taken round the Canadian building by one of that Dominion's representatives, and paused before a fine collection of big fish.

Said one Australian, feeling that Canada's stories were being a bit over-emphasized: "We have larger fish than those in Sydney harbor." "Sur!" the Canadian replied quickly. "But these are only our bait."

The Most Quoted Poem

Phrases From Gray's "Elegy" Are Part of Common Speech

The most quoted poem is Gray's "Elegy." Gray wrote few poems, but his "Elegy, Written in a Country Church Yard," placed him among the immortals.

The poem is rich in single phrases that have become part of the common speech. "The rude forefathers of the hamlet"; "The short and simple annals of the poor"; "Some village Hampden . . . some mute, inglorious Milton"; "Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife"; these perhaps are the most frequently quoted.—Menor Magazine.

Ruler Outlines Palace With Electric Lights

Indian Sahib Also Has Powerful Searchlight On Roof

An electric plant has recently been established at Clatula, India, 10,000 feet up in the Himalayas, which supplies power to some 250 towns in the vicinity and is entirely operated by a native staff.

The Raj Sahib of Wanakheri employed English engineers to outline his palace with electric lights and the hundreds of lights may now be seen at night for several miles. This ruler also has placed a powerful searchlight on the roof of his palace with which he can illuminate the surrounding hillsides.

Ruler Is Banned

The tool ruler, one of the commonest modes of punishment in Paris schools, may no longer be used for this purpose. A new ordinance prohibits this punishment in classrooms, and city officials have suggested strong verbal reprimands as being a more pleasant substitute.

This Lesson of the Ladder

A wise father said to his son who was just starting out in life: "Take a good look at this ladder, my boy, and remember that if it were possible to get to the top at a single bound there would be no need of the bottom rungs."—Boston Transcript.

Does Christmas Shopping All Year
The Queen's "Christmas" shopping goes on all the year round, for wherever she finds an interesting antique shop, she makes purchases, and many of these eventually find their way to her friends as Yuletide gifts.

Silent Servers Of The Empire

All Honor to Men Who Guard His Majesty's Possessions

The assassination of Major-General Sir Lee Stack in Egypt is the price of Empire paid by these of whom he is one who in silence serve the state. The dangers they risk, the difficulties they render, are such as do not bring them the Victoria Cross or the signal favors which men earn on the field of battle in fighting for Empire.

You will find these men scattered over the Empire. They are sometimes stationed at its outposts. You will find them in the frozen fastnesses of the north, in such outposts as Herchel Island, cut off from civilization a great part of the year. You will find them amidst the fever-stricken swamps in the sleeping sickness areas of Africa. You will find them isolated from men of their own race in the remote districts of India, where they serve His Majesty as members of the Indian Civil Service. You will find them placed midst hostile tribes, as on the frontiers of India, where life and property are not secure. Mida torrid heat and winter's piercing cold will find them serving.—Lethbridge Herald.

Columbus Not First To Discover America

French Professor Says Country Was Known to Earlier Navigators

Columbus did not discover America, because both the northern and southern continents were already known to certain navigators long before his time. Such was the announcement with which the eminent professor Antoine Mallet, of the College De France, startled his colleagues at the Academie des Inscriptions et Belles Lettres.

The professor's contention is based on extraordinary and numerous coincidences between the vocabularies of the Polynesian peoples and the Indians of California, brought to light by the researches of Dr. Rivet, showing the two languages to have a common source. As the coincidences cannot date back to the epoch when there was hand communication between these points, the professor said, the only conclusion possible is that navigation existed.

Western Forest Reserves

With the object of improving the stand of timber on Dominion forest reserves in Western Canada, and reducing the annual loss from insects, fires and disease, attention is being constantly directed to the cutting of over-mature and dead timber. This system supplies the miners and settlers with the needed lumber and at the same time clears up the forest and gives room for new growth to come in.

Thought Bullet Was Tooth

A man at Pressburg, Hungary, when he felt that one of his back teeth had ached too long, visited a dentist, who extracted not a tooth, but a bullet. The man then recalled that while in the Austrian army he had been hit by a spent Austria bullet which he thought had dropped out after inflicting a slight flesh wound.

Germany Meeting Payments

Germany paid Great Britain 17,500,000 gold marks and France slightly in excess of 1,250,000 gold marks under the Recovery Act during November, bringing the total levied by both countries for the first three months of the operation of the Dawes plan up to 50 million marks.

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The Chinese Played Tennis

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A MID-WINTER VIEW

On a totem pole in Beacon Hill Park, Victoria, B.C. Upon completion in April next of the Crystal Garden which is being financed and erected by the Canadian Pacific Railway, the capital city of the Pacific coast province will rate second to none among the winter resorts of the continent.

Goodness and Charm

People Who Are Charming More Pleasant to Live With

So few good people are lovable although nearly all of them think affection belongs to them as a right! They think they must be loved because they do no wrong to anyone, because they live so much better lives than anyone with whom they come in contact.

Goodness is certainly not a proof of loveliness. Good people are frequently most difficult to live with. They unconsciously have superior airs and a knack of making others feel small.

Charming people are more pleasant to live with than those who claim goodness as a possession. They are more pleasant to each other during the daily round of common tasks. They make life more agreeable and a pleasure.

The World's Largest Koran

Sold For \$1,000 and Took Two Men To Lift

Probably the largest and heaviest Mosque Koran in the world was put up to auction at a famous London auction room recently.

It was 4 ft. by 2½ in. and a foot thick, with covers of wood, and took two men to lift it. The semi-Turkish script, ten lines to a page, was 4 in. high, the borders were richly illuminated with floral designs, and the whole covered in gold brocade and Kalamkari.

It was sold for \$1,000, an eastern buyer.

For comparison, one of the smallest Korans in the world, 1½ in. by 1½ in. was placed beside it.

Pickerel Eggs Traded For Bass

Black Bass Fry Liberated In Saskatchewan Lakes

In return for a quantity of pickerel eggs, the Dominion Government obtained from the United States many small mouth black bass fingerlings, which have been released in some of the lakes of Saskatchewan. The bass were obtained by the United States fisheries department from overfished lands near the Mississippi River.

They have been released in Lac Peltier, near Swift Current, in Round Lake, near Prince Albert, and in Mountain Lake, near Regina.

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A Home For Blind Babies

Dr. J. G. Shearer, Social Service Council of Canada

A kind hearted gentleman, conceived the idea that a home should be established for blind babies or children. His kindness was Christ-like. His method was unscientific. He method was unscientific. Sympathy and social science should be synthesized. Our kind hearted friend should have studied the whole subject before jumping to the conclusion that a home should be established. We would have sought diligently for answer to such questions as these: "Are there many blind babies?" "Why should there be any?" "Should blind babies be taken away from their mothers?" "Would the mothers part with them?"

"If so, ought not the babies to be placed in foster homes until they are old enough to go to a school for the blind?"

As a matter of fact there are not many blind babies. There ought to be none. Blindness in babies is almost wholly preventable if doctors and nurses are as careful and skillful as they ought to be.

He had raised about \$2,600 for the home. This money, until lately, was on the hands of the trustees who were perplexed to know what to do with it. They took counsel of an experienced social leader who advised them to contribute the sum to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

They did with the result that the money is being handed over to the Institute to be used for the purpose of either caring for or giving sight to blind children, which is often possible, or in their educational work for the prevention of blindness in babies by securing proper care at their birth.

One such blind child recently in a western village was discovered by a worker for the Institute for the Blind, taken to a city, operated on and had his sight restored or bestowed and is now happy in God's sunlight and in all the matchless beauty of the world and faces life almost wholly unhampered. Inasmuch as this great thing had been done unto one such little one it hath been done unto Jesus, the Great Lover and Saviour of little children. How much better to put this money to such use rather than to establish a new "institution" to be a burden and a source of perplexity to future generations of blind disposed people?

Another lad of kindly but socially untrained people is to launch the building of great orphanages for little children. Any worker of social experience knows that to place these orphans out in private foster homes is a much wiser thing and much less expensive. The only use of an orphanage is to house and care for orphan or neglected children until such time as foster homes can be secured for them. And this is what the best orphans are seeking diligently to do.

Pay Large Income Tax

Negro Woman in Missouri Said To Be Worth Million

Listed among the largest payers of income tax in the Eastern Missouri district is a negro woman, Mrs. Annie M. Turnbo-Malone, founder of Poto College, conducted in St. Louis, for the physical improvement of negro women. The hair and beauty cultural aid \$38,400 to the Federal Government for 1925. Mrs. Malone and her husband, Aaron E. Malone, are credited with being worth \$1,000,000, all of which was made from the sale of hair preparations and toilet articles.

For more than ten years the manufacturer of hair-growers and dressings for the exclusive use of negro women has been a most productive field, and has raised several white and colored hair culturists from poverty to affluence.

Valuable Instruments Lost

Valuable instruments, some of them brought from Germany and France thirty-eight years ago with funds provided by Sir William Macdonald when the building was founded, and some of them of exquisite workmanship, now irreparable, were destroyed by the fire in the southwest corner of the Montreal McGill University physics building. The fire was in the optics laboratory.

Value Of a Windbreak

An Alberta judge not long ago assessed damages to a planted windbreak at \$1,000. In this case the windbreak was not destroyed, but merely damaged and was quite capable of repair.

One Drawback

Father—I never kissed a girl until I met your mother. Will you be able to give me the same to your son when you become a married man?

Son—Not with such a straight face as you can.

Canada A Desirable Land

Margaret Bondfield Says It Is a Suitable Place For Young Emigrants

Canada is a most desirable land for the British youth, boy or girl. There is no prejudice. In the Dominion against the "home child," and farmers' sons are not reluctant in selecting home girls for their wives. Those children at present in farm homes in the Dominion are in the main, thoroughly happy, and would on no account return to the Old Country.

These are among the important findings of the British delegation headed by Miss Margaret Bondfield, parliamentary secretary to the ministry of labor in the Macdonald Government, which recently toured Canada for the purpose of studying the British youth in his new home on the Canadian farm and his status and treatment in a report which was made available in London.

The delegation found that in many cases the children are regarded as members of the family, are well cared for, and an interest taken in their future. Only in a few cases did it meet evidences of unhappy cases, possibly the child being unadapted to its new surroundings. The report urges that children should emigrate to Canada as soon as they have finished school, and in noting that there are three times as many boys as girls emigrating to the Dominion, suggests that an effort should be made to increase the proportion of girls.

Consider a Pair of Boots

A Great Many Costs That Bring the Price Up Before Reaching the Customer

One frequently hears the high prices of these items discussed as if the entire blame rested on the high wages paid to labor. Yet the direct labor, the work of the wage-earner, becomes an ever-decreasing fraction of the cost of any thing.

The great trouble is that wages, salaries, commission and profits have to be paid to an increasing number of intermediaries between the raw material where nature provides it in the crude and the ultimate consumer of the finished article.

Consider a pair of boots. Bulletin 360, page 150, of the United States bureau of labor statistics, says the labor on a pair of shoes costs only 37 cents, including the pay of superintendents, office staff, foreman and all persons connected with the necessary work of the factory plant. The wage-cost of making the shoes is only 37 cents.

A great many other costs bring the price up before the shoes leave the factory. The cost of leather and other materials has to be taken into account, and the cost of overhead and of selling. There was labor in the providing of materials, in transportation and delivery, and in the shipping of the shoes.—The Toronto Star.

Temperance In London

People Are Growing More Sober Year By Year

American moralists and others who have been picturing England as drowning in the sorrows of war and tax burdens in strong drink have in the argot of the street, another guess along. London police records show that cases of drunkenness have diminished 62 per cent. in the past five years and that the people are growing more sober year by year. In many of the cities of Great Britain there are fewer public houses, corresponding to the former American saloon, and smaller stocks of drinkables. In an arrestive article on this subject a writer in a London journal says: "Bignay, and furious driving are the only vices which have shown a slight increase during the period under review."—Los Angeles Times.

Finds Lefthandedness Is Not Hereditary

Statistics Show It Is Frequently Accompanied By Stuttering

Twins are more frequently left-handed than are single born, according to investigations conducted at the Siemens works, manufacturers of electrical apparatus. Fifteen per cent. of the twins examined were left-handed, while only 7 per cent. of the others qualified as lefties. Another interesting fact brought to light by the St. Louis investigators is that lefthandedness, contrary to general belief, is not hereditary.

There seems to be a definite relation between lefthandedness and stuttering. These investigations show, I believe, that 22.5 per cent. of the lefthanded employees were stutterers, while only 9 per cent. of the right-handed had this defect of speech.

A Swiss scientist has produced sapphires of pure crystallized aluminum. The only difference between his sapphires and natural stones is that the former are not quite so hard.



WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Steamship rates to Canada from British, Scandinavian and continental ports were raised recently, the amounts varying from \$15 to \$10.

The former Dowager Empress of Russia, Marie Feodorovna, is seriously ill at her chateau near Copenhagen, suffering from heart trouble.

The net gain in the population of Australia from immigration during July, August and September, 1924, was 10,000.

The city council of Dresden, Germany, has passed a resolution to provide free burials for its citizens. The motion was introduced by Communists.

To teach wives and servants the uses of electricity in the home, a Women's Electrical Association has been formed in London.

Seven women law students were called to the English bar on call night. These bring the number of women barristers to 41.

Dispatches from Cairo says another of the alleged assassins of Sir Lee Stack has been arrested by the police. Twenty students and officers are held by the authorities have been released.

One-fifth of all fatalities by accident in the United States in 1923 were caused by automobile accidents, according to figures made public by the census bureau.

Word has been received in Toronto that Bishop Fallon, of London, Ont., will be the spiritual director of the Pilgrimage to Rome which the Roman Catholics have been invited to make from Canada next year.

Legislation has passed a vote of \$20,000 for immigration purposes, the money being required principally to cover the cost of bringing 500 Hebrewian fishermen to the west coast of Vancouver Island.

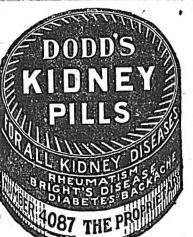
The Wealth Of A Nation

Farming Is the Basic Strength of Any Country

For a long time it has been the fashion to refer to farming as the basic industry of the country, and, yet, when emergencies have arisen to test it as the Cinderella of the industrial family. The main reason for this attitude of neglect has been the inability or disinclination of politicians to recognize the intimate connection between the nation's security and the nation's supply of home-grown food, between the decay of arable farming, and the growth of unemployment.—London Times.

Increases Vancouver's Population
Annexation of the municipality of South Vancouver to the city, which is in prospect as the result of the citizens voting favorably thereon, will add 40,000 to the city's population of 125,000, making a total of 165,000 within the city limits.

In the English navy in olden times when a ship captain wished to discharge his crew, he had to give them notice of his intention by taking away the tablecloth three meals in succession.



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Aberdeen Angus Stock Capture Prizes

McGregor-Bred Cattle Big Winners at the Recent International.

At the recent Chicago International Exposition, the records show that there were twelve Aberdeen Angus animals exhibited from the Glencairn farms herd of James D. McGregor, of Brandon. These animals were all under two years of age and were bred by Mr. McGregor and calved on Glencairn Stock Farms. They were sold last spring to Mr. H. O. Harrison, of San Francisco, California, and Harley Stock Farms, Page, North Dakota, and were exhibited by these two breeders at the international at Chicago.

These animals won in their respective classes six first prizes, three second and prizes, two third prizes and one fourth prize. Taking into consideration the fact that the Aberdeen Angus exhibit this year was, by far, the strongest ever shown, there being twenty-five to thirty-five animals in each class, this probably constitutes a record win for this big show for animals all originating from one herd. As well as winning individually the above mentioned prizes in their respective classes, they also won first for group of three bulls and first and third for junior herd.

It is interesting to note that these animals were all sons and daughters of the world-famous Blackcap Revolution, the grand champion Aberdeen Angus bull at the Chicago International last year, when shown by Mr. McGregor and sold by him for \$15,000 cash during the week of the fair.

While Blackcap Revolution has already distinguished himself as an outstanding show animal, his success as a sire is fast becoming fully as noteworthy, as is evidenced in the high honors awarded these animals from the Glencairn Farms herd at the 1924 Chicago International Exposition and also at all the leading American and Canadian fairs held during the summer and fall.

Another Mammoth Airship

U.S. Plans One Much Larger Than Any Yet Built

United States navy air experts have disclosed to congress plans for a 6,000,000 cubic feet capacity airship, which would dwarf the 2,600,000 capacity Los Angeles, and be much larger than the two new 5,000,000 capacity ships ordered by the British Government for commercial use between England and Australia.

The proposed liner, Admiral Moffatt said, would be 75 feet in length, compared to the 658-foot Los Angeles, have a larger diameter of 122 feet, compared to the 90-foot girth of the German-built craft, have 3,900 maximum horsepower, compared to 1,550 for the Los Angeles, and have a gross lift of 151 tons, compared with that of 67 tons of the Los Angeles. The cruising radius of the big ship would be 7,150 nautical miles without refueling.

Allenby Receives Threatening Letter

Dispatch Says Communication Was Signed "The Black Hand"

Viscount Allenby, British high commissioner for Egypt, received a letter threatening his life and signed "The Black Hand" before leaving Cairo for his visit to Alexandria, says a dispatch to the Daily Mail.

The Daily Telegraph's Cairo correspondent reports that a great majority of the British and other foreign officials have decided to exercise their option and quit the Egyptian service next April.

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Pilgrims To St. Anne

Official figures given out by the Quebec Power Company show that 28,000 pilgrims from all parts of Canada and the United States visited the St. Anne de Beaupre shrine during the year.

"How do you find marriage?" "During courtship I talked and she listened. After marriage she talked and I listened. Now we both talk and the neighbors listen."

Contentment comes only to those who want but little and are satisfied with less.

Keep Minard's Liniment in the House

A CHRISTMAS WISH

I wish to you the season's joy,
And "Merry Christmas" cry;
I wish that peace may fall on you
As snowflakes from the sky—

And when the winter storms shall rage

That you may harbor find;

Well sheltered by the blazing logs, safe
From the stinging wind.

I wish for you this Christmas Day

That all that earth may hold,
Joy and happiness and love

Before you may unfold—

And that throughout the coming days

That tell of the new year,

You'll find each day is marked with

With some of Christmas cheer.

I wish for you today,

Still scatter peace and sunshine

Through the seasons, in your way.

Soviets Are Peed

Sent Caustic Note to United States Over Siberian Matter

Because the United States Coast Guard vessel Bear in 1929 affixed a brass plate to a rock on the Chukotka Peninsula in Emma Bay, Cape Pusino, in Siberia, near Bering Strait, bearing the inscription "United States Geodetic Magnetic Station," with the warning, "For disturbing this plate, \$500 fine or imprisonment," George Tchelichherin, Soviet minister for foreign affairs, has sent a caustic note to Secretary of State Hughes at Washington.

M. Tchelichherin asserted that the damage to the plate shows that magnetic observations had been carried out in 1929 and subsequent years by the Bear.

"I must emphasize that the erection of the foregoing plate and the threat to Soviet citizens, inscribed on it, constitute a gross violation of the sovereignty of the Soviet Republic," the note said. "I am obliged to notify you that such violation of the legitimate rights of the union of Soviet Republics, if repeated, will be sternly repressed by the Soviet Government."

Would Fix Wheat Prices

Suggestion That a Minimum Price Be Fixed for Grain Shipped to Britain

Premier Baldwin in an introduction to a book written by an Australian resident in London, St. Clair Gordon, concerning co-operation between the Canadian and the Dominions in food production, declares that the economic facts set out in the book may have more far-reaching effects than the author imagined.

The book suggests that an agreement should be entered into by the British Government with the Government of the Dominions for the fixing of a minimum price for Empire-grown wheat over, say, a period of five years. If a surplus of wheat were to appear in the British national granaries, the writer says, such reserves would be as valuable to the Empire as barbed-wire.

The general aim should be stabilization of the wheat market, Gordon says in his book, and it is an aim that foreign distributors would be able to wreck such an imperial pool.

(To be continued)

These Degenerate Times

Annual Theft Loss in U.S. Runs Into Billions

Three billion five hundred million dollars are annually subtracted repeatedly from the cash boxes of the United States, the thefts being mostly committed by young men. Young men annually commit ten thousand murders in the United States, according to Eugene M. Camp, a director of the American board of applied Christianity.

Mr. Camp made these statements in announcing at a recent public meeting in New York the establishment of a new school under the auspices of the board of applied Christianity, to be known as the "Serbon." The school will attempt to "carry" Christianity into the work-a-day world." Mr. Camp said. It will be variously located in little halls of schools and churches.

Mr. Camp said that all the churches were backing the idea and that it has been endorsed by many notable

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